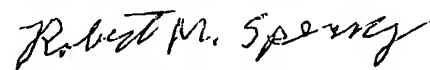


However, claims 7 and 11 are dependent from Claim 1 and, as noted above, Claim 1 is believed to be patentable over Hume for the reasons set forth above. therefore, Claims 7 and 11 are each believed to be allowable as presented and the Examiner is requested to allow each of Claims 7 and 11.

For the foregoing reasons, each of Claims 1 - 17 is believed to be allowable and the Examiner is requested to allow each of these claims and to pass the case to issue.

Respectfully Submitted,

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